

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 5164

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by: (GL)

AN ACT CONCERNING MONETARY CHANGES TO THE HOME IMPROVEMENT GUARANTY FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 20-432 of the general
- 2 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 3 (Effective July 1, 2004):
- 4 (b) Each salesman who receives a certificate pursuant to this chapter
- 5 shall pay a fee of forty dollars annually. Each contractor who receives a
- 6 certificate pursuant to this chapter shall pay a fee of one hundred
- 7 <u>twenty-five</u> dollars annually to the guaranty fund. Said fee shall be
- 8 payable with the fee for an application for a certificate or renewal
- 9 thereof. The annual fee for a contractor who receives a certificate of
- 10 registration as a home improvement contractor acting solely as the
- 11 contractor of record for a corporation, shall be waived, provided the
- 12 contractor of record shall use such registration for the sole purpose of
- 13 directing, supervising or performing home improvements for such
- 14 corporation.
- 15 (c) Payments received under subsection (b) of this section shall be

credited to the guaranty fund until the balance in such fund equals 16 17 [seven hundred fifty thousand] one million dollars. Annually, if such fund has an excess, the first four hundred thirty-five thousand dollars 18 19 of the excess shall be deposited into the Consumer Protection 20 Enforcement Fund established in section 21a-8a, as amended. Any 21 excess thereafter shall be deposited in the General Fund. Any money in 22 the guaranty fund may be invested or reinvested in the same manner 23 as funds of the state employees retirement system, and the interest 24 arising from such investments shall be credited to the guaranty fund.

This act sha	ıll take effect as follows:
Section 1	July 1, 2004

Statement of Purpose:

To raise the annual fee for a certificate for a home improvement contractor, to raise the ceiling of the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund and to increase the amount of the fund that is deposited into the Consumer Protection Enforcement Fund.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]